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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Application of Takayuki USUI and Toshizi SONE entitled "AUTOMATIC PLATE MAKING MACHINE EQUIPPED WITH PHOTOSENSITIVE PRINTING PLATE SUPPLYING APPARATUS

AND PRINTING PLATE PACKAGING MEANS"

Assignee: FUJI PHOTO FILM CO., LTD.

Our Reference: Q65607

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/302,259 (Confirmation No. unknown) filed April 30, 1999, by Takayuki USUI and Toshizi SONE entitled "AUTOMATIC PLATE MAKING MACHINE EQUIPPED WITH PHOTOSENSITIVE PRINTING PLATE SUPPLYING APPARATUS AND PRINTING PLATE PACKAGING MEANS."

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and Abstract, thirty-six (36) sheets of the drawings as originally filed in parent application Serial No. 09/302,259, four (4) sheets of proposed drawing changes, thirty-six (36) sheets of corrected formal drawings incorporating the proposed changes (the latter two of which were also submitted in the parent application), and copies of the Declaration and Assignment as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement with a Form PTO-1449 listing references cited by the Examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Examiner Eugene Kim in Group Art Unit 3721.

Priority is claimed from May 7, 1998, and May 8, 1998, based on Japanese Patent Application Nos. 10-125,075 and 10-126,186, respectively. The priority documents were filed in parent application Serial No. 09/302,259 on April 30, 1999, and were acknowledged by the Examiner via Paper No. 10 dated November 14, 2000.

A Preliminary Amendment is submitted concurrently herewith.





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The Government filing fee is calculated as follows, <u>after entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment</u>:

Total claims	22		20		2	\mathbf{X}	\$18.00	=	\$36.00
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TOTAL FILING FEE ENCLOSED

\$906.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$906.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge any difference or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 that may be required during the entire pendency of the application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is also appended hereto.

This application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Examiner: (TBA)

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ATTN: OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED DRAWING CHANGES

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith please find four (4) sheets of drawings with proposed changes indicated in red ink. Please note that these changes were approved in parent application Serial No. 09/302,259 via the Notice of Allowability dated May 29, 2001. Thirty-six (36) sheets of formal drawings incorporating the proposed changes are submitted concurrently herewith under separate cover.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTN: OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

SUBMISSION OF CORRECTED FORMAL DRAWINGS

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith please find thirty-six (36) sheets of formal drawings incorporating the proposed drawing changes that were approved in parent application Serial No. 09/302,259 via the Notice of Allowability dated May 29, 2001.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of these formal drawings.

Respectfully submitted,

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